

**Before The  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554**

<b>In The Matter Of</b>	)	
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<b>Recommendations of the</b>	)	
<b>Independent Panel Reviewing</b>	)	<b>EB Docket No. 06-</b>
<b>119</b>		
<b>The Impact of Hurricane Katrina</b>	)	
<b>On Communications Networks</b>	)	

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**ADDITIONAL WRITTEN COMMENTS OF HAMS FOR ACTION**

Yesterday, HAMS FOR ACTION (HFA) filed Written Comments in FCC Docket 06-119. At that time, we introduced ourselves. We also placed into the record of this Docket a copy of HFA's recent Petition For Rulemaking to the FCC, plus related Appendices. That Petition calls upon the Commission to initiate partial and conditional overrides of bans on Amateur Radio antennas by Homeowners' Associations (HOAs) and/or restrictive covenants, and/or by landlords.

Today, HFA files these Additional Written Comments in order to place another Petition For Rulemaking into this Docket. This second Petition urges the Commission to establish a National Emergency Administrative Radio Service (NEARS) to facilitate the interoperability of certain Emergency Communications equipment.

The NEARS Petition, which is ATTACHED, is the brainchild of W. Lee McVey of Alabama. He is a communications consultant and a licensed Professional Engineer in both California and Florida. He is also a Member of the Board of HAMS FOR ACTION.

HAMS FOR ACTION played no role in the development or filing of Mr. McVey's Petition. Nevertheless, we endorse it.

The creation of NEARS, as proposed by Mr. McVey, would complement the partial and conditional antenna ban overrides that have been proposed by HFA.

We urge the Commission to review both Petitions carefully and then take favorable action.

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